CLAIMS

1. An I.S. machine including a blow station for forming a bottle from a parison having a formed finish portion comprising

a blow station including a blow mold having side and bottom portions for supporting a parison,

a source of forming air,

valve means for selectively connecting the 10 source of forming air to the blow mold to form the parison into a bottle,

heat sensor means for generating a parison at bottom of mold signal, and

control means for operating said valve means to
15 connect the source of forming air to the blow mold
based on the time when the parison at bottom of mold
signal occurs.

- 2. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein 20 said heat sensor means is a thermocouple.
 - 3. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein said source of forming air is a source of air under pressure.

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- 4. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein said source of forming air is a source of air under a vacuum.
- 30 5. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein said control means operates said valve means when the parison at bottom of mold signal occurs plus or minus a selected delay.